

# COMMUNITY NEWS



**EHS HOMECOMING 2004 TAILGATE PARTY/TIGER WALK**  
Thursday, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> • 6 p.m. • Elba High School Parking Lot  
Wear Your School Colors • Bring Your Own Lawn Chair & Food  
**TIGER WALK begins at 7 p.m.**

## PUBLIC NOTICES

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### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

**JUST A LITTLE NOTE TO SAY THANKS...** The Children's Ministry at Covenant Community Church recently began a study on "Fruits of the Spirit." During a discussion on joy, the children talked about times people are put in difficult situations and how God always seems to send someone to help. The children decided that Hurricane Ivan proved to be a difficult situation for most everyone recently and God sent the City of Elba employees to help the citizens following Ivan's aftermath. Therefore, the children decided to design cards to be given to the City of Elba employees. On Thursday, Sept. 30, the children presented the cards to Elba Mayor James Grimes so he could distribute them to the city employees. The children shown above with Mayor Grimes include (from left): Katelyn Calhoun, Jessie White, Sara Bryan, Selina Dodd, Jesse Dodd, Britany Gilbert, Ben Cash, John Gray and Ashton Deon.

**Voting status changes should be made before Oct. 22**

The Coffee County Board of Registrars reminds voters that Friday, October 22 is the last day to make changes in their voting status in order to vote in the November 2 general election. After October 22 no changes can be made in voting list until November 3.

If one is already a registered voter in Coffee County and has the same address as in the previous election, he need not do anything. However, if he received a new voting card earlier this year because of the redistricting in Coffee County and has not voted since, then his name will be at the polling place indicated on the new card.

In addition, if the voter has changed his address within Coffee County since this last election, he needs to fill out a Voter's Update Form so that his name will be at the polling place where he serves his new address. Otherwise, on November 2 he

will be required to return to the polling place that serves his previous address.

If voters have any questions

about their voting place, they should call the Board of Registrars at 894-5347 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

### Elba Elementary School Menu

October 11-15, 2004

#### BREAKFAST

Monday - School Holiday-Columbus Day

Tuesday - Pancake

Pup Syrup Cereal

Juice Milk

Wednesday - Biscuit &

Jelly Sausage Cereal

Juice Milk

Thursday - Scrambled

Eggs Toast & Jelly

Cereal Juice Milk

Friday - Cheese Grits

Toast & Jelly Cereal

Baked Beans Treehouse Slaw Pop-an-Ollie Orange Marbles Milk

#### LUNCH

Monday - Conques Colin Bobbed

Burger Sted Ridin Rounds Cross

Country Cookie Snowmilk Milk

Wednesday - "Play in the Park" Walk

the Dog Wiggle Capture-the-Flag

Com See-Saw Sticks Roller Blade

Roll Playround Pineapple Pudding

Monkey Bar Milk

Thursday - "Wet in the Water"

Reptile Rain Outers Lang Ten

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Friday - "Get A New View of the Neighborhood"

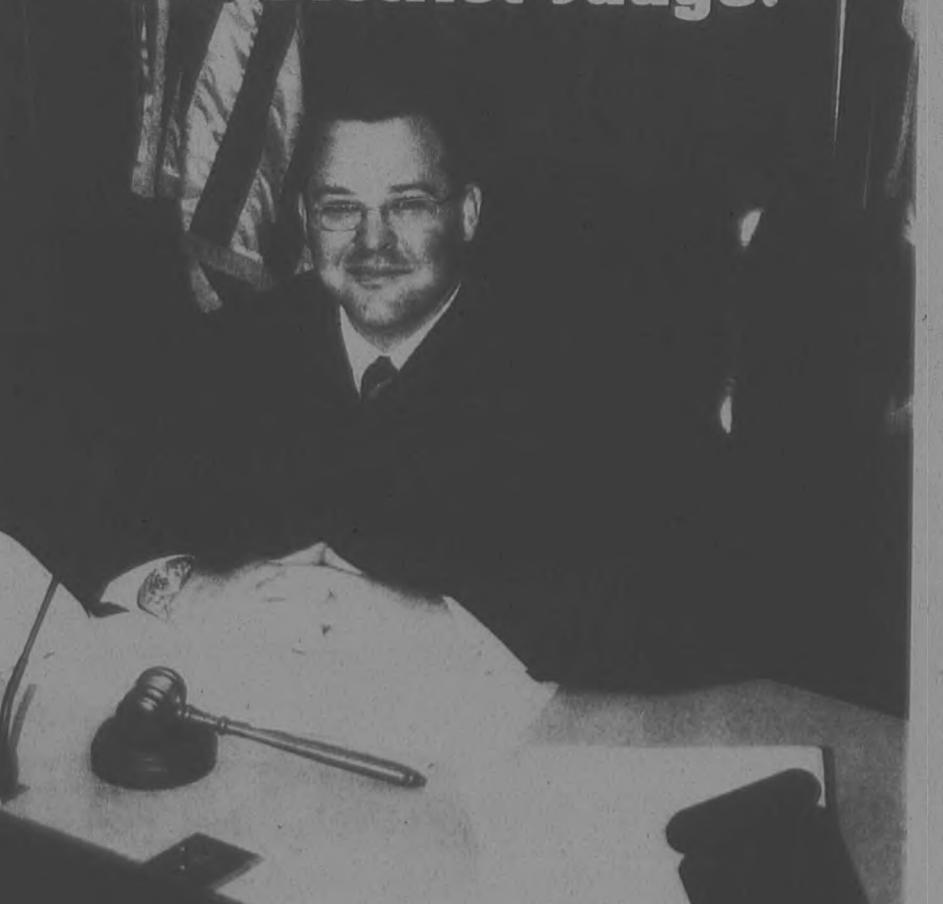
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nominated for  
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Heisman award

INSIDE  
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second win of  
season

# The Elba Clipper

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Elba, Alabama

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2 Sections, 18 Pages Plus 1 Adv. Insert

## Coffee County receives award for outstanding liability claims record

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Coffee County Commission chairman Robert Stephens began the regular monthly meeting of the county commission Monday, Oct. 11, by announcing some good news for the county.

Letters Testimony of said deceased had been granted to Christopher Edward Tindell by the undersigned on the 29th day of September, 2004, by the Honorable William Gammill, Justice of the Supreme Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/S/ CHRISTOPHER EDWARD FREE  
Personal Representative  
10-14-21pc

### STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF COFFEE

#### MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

WHEREAS, on May 10, 2004, Michael Wayne Johnson, a married man, executed to Kenneth O. King a Real Estate Mortgage upon the real estate hereinabove described to secure an indebtedness of \$50,000.00 for each sum the deposit will be refunded provided the plans and specifications are returned in full condition within 10 days of the bid opening.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any bid and to waive any information desired. Each bidder must submit with his bid, security in the amount of the bid, and subject to the conditions provided in the Information Sheet. The successful bidder will be required to submit a 100% performance bond and payment bonds. All bidders must comply with the requirements of the Contracting Licensing Law of the State of Alabama and be certified for the type of work for which a proposal is submitted. The submission of a bid will be deemed to represent that the bidder has read and understood the terms of the proposal and that he has been fully informed of the requirements of the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, Kenneth O. King, the owner, said Mortgage will sell, lease and/or virtue of the sale of said property to the highest bidder for the amount of \$50,000.00 plus interest from the date of the auction to the date of payment of the principal amount of the debt.

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## EDITORIAL

**BRAINSTORMS**  
With Ferrin Cox

Former Governor Don Siegelman was apparently right when he continued to say there was no basis for the charges of conspiracy against him in the Tuscaloosa federal court case. The feds dropped the whole case after the judge had thrown out one charge for lack of evidence. Boy did that make the blood boil in some Alabama citizens who were so angry at the bloodied trial day that it was almost as emotional an issue as Judge Roy Moore and the Ten Commandments. We had thought earlier that something was amiss in this case when the lawyers for the federal government kept getting in trouble with the judge — antics like maybe they had been watching too many TV courtroom scenes and not enough real life court. Now as always, Don Siegelman is our friend, but we have no idea what went on between those charged in this case. Yet we are now alarmed that these federal “for the people” prosecutors filed charges, talked for months of all the terrible things the trio had done, made “news” statements to the public that prompted the federal judge to hold them in contempt for unfounded comments and then would drop all charges against the former governor and his chief of staff after one charge was dismissed. Now since the two are legally, morally and possibly even politically innocent of those charges, forever and ever, how can the feds even think of trying to convict Dr Bobo (whom we have never even seen) of conspiracy?

Another friend, Elba native and Alabama Attorney General, Troy King, needs some basics explained to him. These were federal cases, and Troy jumped in to fight them, along with politics on his face. We are far from smart, but even we know that one politician is wise not to get into another politician’s fight. Yet Troy helped carry the ball for the federal prosecutors in the Don Siegelman case. A ball that the feds later turned loose like a hot potato. Troy, just as each of us, has a constitutional right to his opinion on this and any other issue. Yet he is now in a statewide leadership position, one which carries great respect and responsibility. He needs to remember this fact before he opens his mouth publicly. Of course his position of leadership and respect could very well be why the U.S. Attorney pulled him before the TV cameras with her while the indictments against Don Siegelman, Paul Hammett and Dr. Bobo were being announced. So be it, that is all done now, but we plan to offer Alabama Attorney General Troy King some of the above advice and he would do well politically to heed what we say.

Of course all my friends in the news media are not likely white in this either. Charges and “news” from the prosecutors got bold prominent headlines — always. However, happenings that were counter to a sure fire conviction of the three were often buried deep inside the papers, or sometimes just ignored completely. The same finger can point to many of the broadcast folks.

Ah, let’s talk about something nice — like maybe the upcoming presidential election! We did not listen to the VP candidates debate nor the second presidential circus. The same will hold true for the last one this week. Yet we didn’t miss a thing! The constant escape from people far more knowledgeable than we will ever be right there to tell us what the candidates said and what it really meant. Boy we have heard some fair out spin put on some of each candidate’s statements. These folks were still putting on that spin Sunday night and will probably continue right through the election.

We have had grandchildren for two weekends in a row. You talk about a set of grandparents floating on air . . . that was us. They were scheduled to return for a third weekend in a row, since their dad is at summer camp with the National Guard, but their mother decided she needed a break from visiting, so that trip has been postponed. Actually she may have come to the conclusion that the old folks need a rest. Our five-year-old Sarah went to her first football game Friday night. We can’t decide if she is going to be a cheerleader, majorette or drum major. She spent part of Saturday play acting each of those parts. She already owns an Auburn cheerleader outfit; a gift from her Alabama graduate Aunt Michele. Stranger things have happened!

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The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, Oct. 4, 2004, investigated the following incidents: two for criminal mischief, one disorderly conduct, one resisting arrest, one harassing communications, one unlawful possession of a controlled substance, one collision with an unattended vehicle, two for burglary, one theft of property, one criminal trespassing, one assault, one harassment and one missing person.

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Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: six for speeding, two for a revoked driver’s license, one for no insurance, two for no proof of insurance and one for not wearing a seat belt.

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**TUESDAY, OCT. 5** — Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1633 County Rd. 127 (6:57 a.m.). Hit and run reported at 906 Putnam St. (8:16 a.m.). Report of a gun being discharged across from 1282 Anna St. (4:42 p.m.). Disturbance (noise) reported across from 809 Putnam St. (5:59 p.m.). Disturbance (noise) reported at 1029 Carolina St. (8:45 p.m.). Four-vehicle wreck reported on Taylor Mill Rd. (10:00 p.m.). Coffee County EMS dispatched to the wrecks on Tiger Dr. at Taylor Mill Rd. (10:04 p.m.).

**SATURDAY, OCT. 9** — Disturbance (noise) reported at Mulberry Park (1:00 a.m.). Possible prowler reported at 628 Mullins Circle (1:06 a.m.). Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1015 Farm Ave (11:17 a.m.). Coffee County EMS dispatched to 801 Putnam St. (6:07 p.m.).

**SUNDAY, OCT. 10** — Coffee County EMS dispatched to 745 Lee St. (12:45 a.m.). Subject reported shot at 745 Lee St. (12:45 a.m.). Disturbance (unwanted guests) reported at 1225 Farm Ave. (12:50 a.m.). Elba Fire Department dispatched to a brush fire on Hwy. 189 S. (11:39 a.m.).

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Dr. Brooks and Dr. Lett are currently accepting new patients at the Enterprise office and can be reached at (334)308-9797.

**Queens Tea/Good Luck Party held at Elba Chamber of Commerce**

Little Miss Elba Emilee Hudson and Little Miss Brundidge McKenzie Wambles hosted a Queens Tea/Good Luck Party Saturday, Oct. 9, at the Dothan Civic Center beginning at 6 p.m.

Special guests at the Queens

Tea were Mayor James Grimes, City of Elba; State Representative Terry Spicer; Attorney Paul Shering and Judson Vaughan, who provided entertainment for the girls by singing them a song.

The Little Miss National Festival pageant will be held Saturday night, Oct. 16, at the Dothan Civic Center beginning at 6 p.m.

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Zion Chapel Schools celebrate 100 Years with fun day Oct. 23

Zion Chapel schools and the Altrusa International Club of Jack are joining together to celebrate “100 years of excellence in education”. The event will be held Saturday, Oct. 23, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Activities available will be Arts and Crafts, Jewelry, Concessions/food, Dunking Booth, Moon Walk, Pork Rides, “Carnival” games, Local Bands, Auction, Walk for Literacy, etc.

Price of admission is 1 child’s book, and all proceeds of the day’s events will go toward refurbishing the Zion Chapel auditorium.

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Minimally invasive “small incision” surgery (MIS) has gained popularity in many forms ranging from arthroscopic to shoulder rotator cuff repair. Recent innovations in arthroscopic surgical techniques and instrumentation now allow most shoulder surgeries to be performed through arthroscopic puncture wounds with little or no tissue dissection.

Currently, Drs. Fleming Brooks and Patrick Lett are performing many shoulder surgeries arthroscopically, through small tubes utilizing a digital camera for visualization. New bioabsorbable implants and specialized instruments allow surgery such as rotator cuff repair to be done through the arthroscope as an outpatient with no overnight stays.

“I have noticed a huge advance in the quality of instruments and implants used in shoulder surgery in the last three years,” states Dr. Brooks. “We are now able to repair many ligament and tendon injuries within the shoulder without disturbing the muscle and fascial layers that contain most of the neural structures that lead to postoperative pain.

Consequently patients seem to hurt much less and recover much more rapidly than those formerly treated with traditional open surgery.”

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**BULLETIN BOARD**

• ARISING CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES THROUGH CHRISTIAN A.R.M.S., addiction recovery ministry services — Thurs., 7 p.m. — Immanuel Baptist Church, City of Elba; visit the website at www.armsministries.com

• SOCIAL SECURITY REP. — Courthouse, 4th Tues., 12:30-1:30 p.m. Call 1-800-772-1213

• ROTARY CLUB — Tuesday @ Noon—First Baptist Church, Elba, 11 a.m.

• ELBA CITY COUNCIL — 2nd & 4th Mondays — 6 p.m. — City Hall

• ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN., Tues., 8 a.m. Elba United Methodist Church, 100 N. Main Street

• GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP — every Monday, 6:30 p.m. — Elba United Methodist Church, 100 N. Main Street

• COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS — 2nd & 4th Mondays — 7 p.m. — Community Room in Farm Center Complex @ New Brockton

• LIONS CLUB — 2nd & 4th Tuesdays — 7 p.m. — Elba High School Auditorium

• ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD — 1st Thur., 5:30 p.m. — Super Office

• AMERICAN LEGION — 1st Thursday — 7 p.m. — Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.

• MASONIC LODGE 170 — 1st & 3rd Mondays — 7 p.m. — Masonic Lodge, 100 N. Main Street

• LIONS CLUB — 1st Mon., 7 p.m. — Elba High School Auditorium

• COFFEE COUNTY COON HUNTERS ASSN. — 3rd Sat., 3 p.m. — Club House

• COFFEE COUNTY REEFUBLICAN WOMEN — 1st Wed. — Non-Colonial Inn Enterprise

• ELBA AIRPORT AUTHORITY — 2nd & 4th Tues., 6 p.m. — Driscoll Hanger at the Airport

• AARP meets every 3rd Tuesday night of the month.

• ELBA ATHLETIC CLUB — 1st & 3rd Mondays — 7 p.m. — Elba High boys locker room

• NEW SEASONS STUDY CLUB — Every 3rd Thursday, 7 p.m.

Homecoming Service for

**SMITH MARSHALL**

was held on August 16th, at Bethel A.M.E. Church in Elba, Ala. The Marshall Family would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who participated in the service. Your comforting expressions of sympathy will always be remembered by us, with deep gratitude.

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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR****Dear Editor:**

I had the chance to meet Lee Gideon, Billy Coppage, Corkey Richards, and Jamie Richards, they are employees for the city of Elba. On Saturday they were picking up broken tree limbs in my front yard. They were working hard and have been working very hard just from looking around town

# CHURCH NEWS

## Elba First Assembly of God to hold Homecoming Sunday, October 17th

Homecoming will be held Sunday, October 17, 2004 at Elba First Assembly of God Church. Sunday School will not be held. Special singing will start at 10:00 a.m. Guest speaker for the homecoming message will be Rev. Billy Redd' at 11.

## Hillcrest Baptist Church to host Shane Dunlap concert October 17

Shane Dunlap will be in concert Sunday, October 17, 2004 at Hillcrest Baptist Church.

## Zion Chapel Baptist Church to celebrate Homecoming Sunday, October 24

Zion Chapel Baptist Church will hold Homecoming Services Sunday, October 24.

Rev. Ben Amlong will be the guest speaker for the morning

## Religious poetry contest offered

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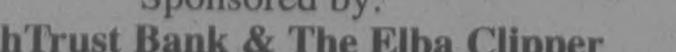
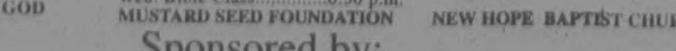
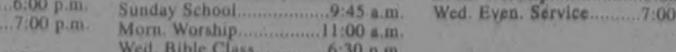
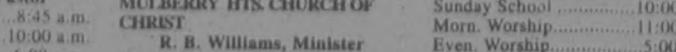
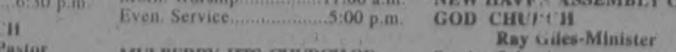
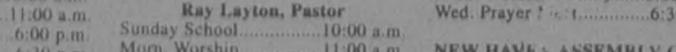
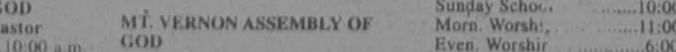
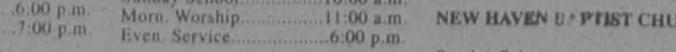
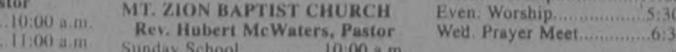
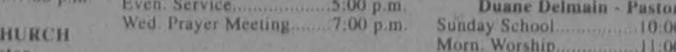
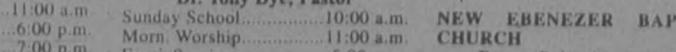
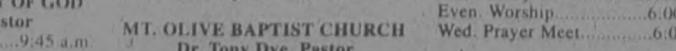
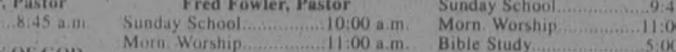
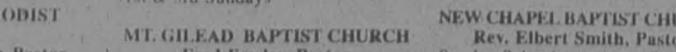
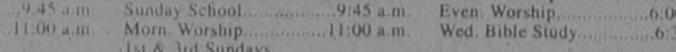
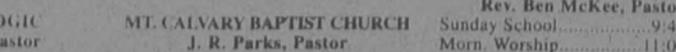
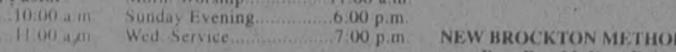
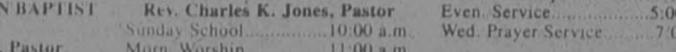
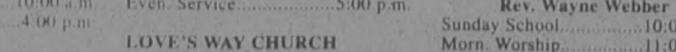
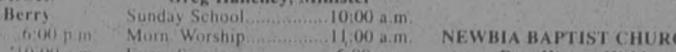
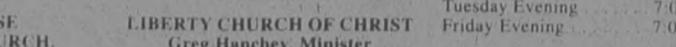
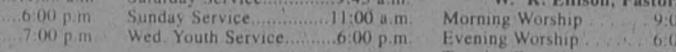
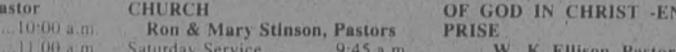
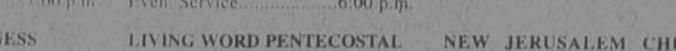
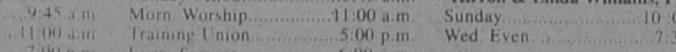
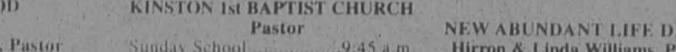
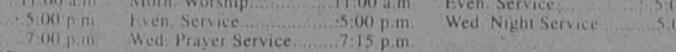
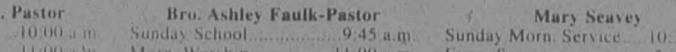
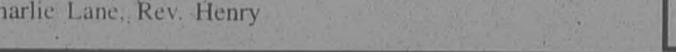
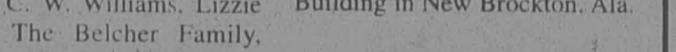
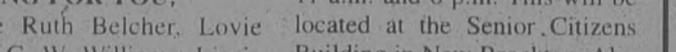
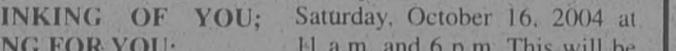
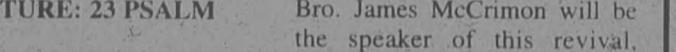
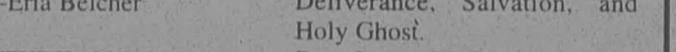
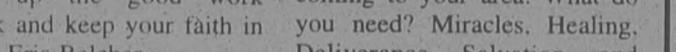
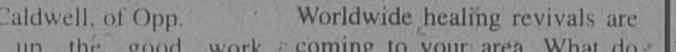
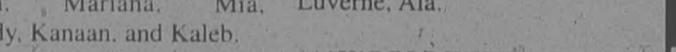
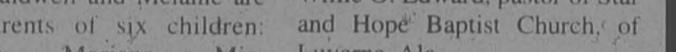
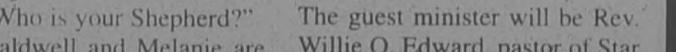
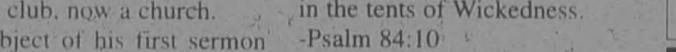
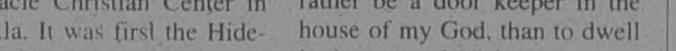
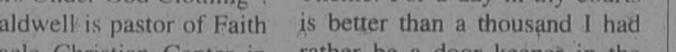
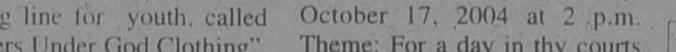
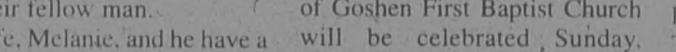
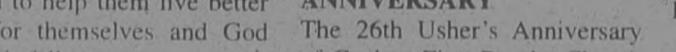
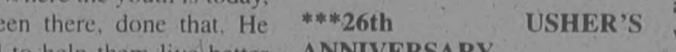
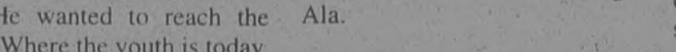
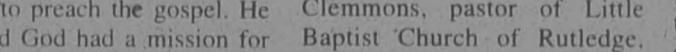
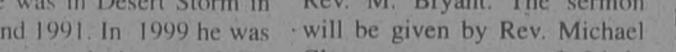
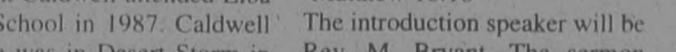
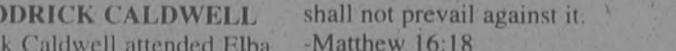
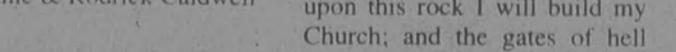
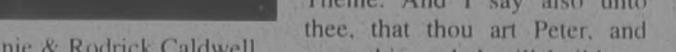
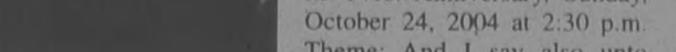
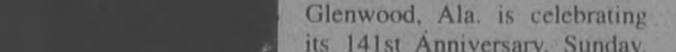
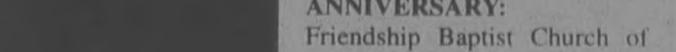
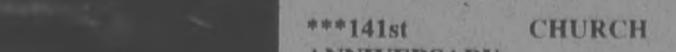
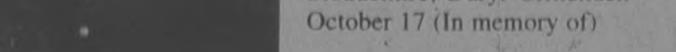
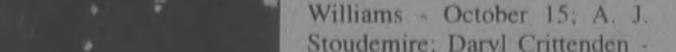
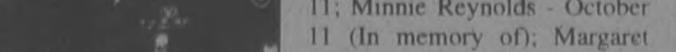
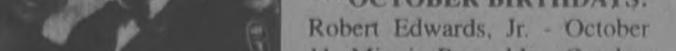
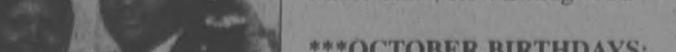
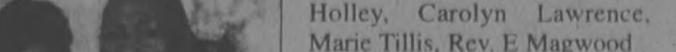
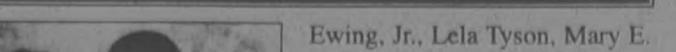
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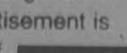
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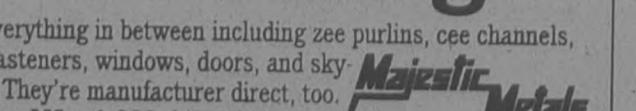
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# SPORTS

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## The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

**TIGERS GIVE HOMECOMING CROWD PLENTY TO CHEER ABOUT IN WIN OVER NEW BROCKTON GAMECOCKS**

The Elba Tigers invited the New Brockton Gamecocks to the 2004 homecoming game Friday night and gave the fans on the Elba side of the field plenty to cheer about as they broke into the win column with a big 19-7 win over the Gamecocks, in the first-ever meeting between the two cross-county rivals in football. Over 5,000 fans packed Tiger Stadium for the historic meeting, and despite the fact the scoreboard read 19-7 when the final horn sounded, there were really no losers since these two neighboring schools finally came together and put a show in front of such a large and supportive crowd of fans. The meeting was long overdue, but there can be no doubt it will now be an annual event that will always pack whatever stadium it is held in.

Elba junked its wide-open offense for most of the game in an attempt to cut down on turnovers that had been so costly in the opening weeks of the season and committed zero turnovers in rolling to over 250 yards of offense and three touchdowns. The Tigers made some mistakes in their new "I" formation and failed to put any points on the scoreboard in the first half, but proved it could run the football and then in the second half opened things up a little and used their speed to break the game open. Elba quarterback Brandon Kelley ran for 115 yards on only four carries in the second half to spark the Tiger comeback, while Kikko Logan added 58 yards on six carries as the Tigers operated out of the shotgun formation and spread the field out. Elba's speed on offense was the difference in the game in the second half, and should lead to even better offensive outings in the weeks to come.

The Elba defense was much maligned over the first five weeks of the season and had allowed over 40 points a game in the Tigers' five losses, but the defense came to play against New Brockton and held the Gamecocks to only 140 yards rushing and one touchdown. The defense held the Gamecocks backs to two yards or less on 19 plays, and had nine tackles behind the line of scrimmage on running plays. Elba's play in the line was a key to the Tigers' success on defense and for the first time this season the defense refused to let its opposing backs get around the corner. The Elba defense also came up with three big turnovers in the win, and left the field knowing it had played a major role in the win.

One win doesn't make a season and this week the players from Wicksburg won't care that Elba beat New Brockton; it was a great win for this group of young men and hopefully it will inspire them to even bigger wins down the line. There are still no easy wins on the Tigers' schedule. However, now that they have tasted victory maybe they will go into a feeding frenzy and fatten up their win total!

### AREA TEAMS ENJOY BIGGEST WEEK OF THE SEASON:

The high school football season continued to roll along last week, and for the teams in the area it was the best week of the season as three of the four teams claimed wins. Here is a quick look back...

**\*\*\* NEW BROCKTON (4-2)** - The Gamecocks were thought to be hitting their prime after a big region win over Cottonwood, but never really got anything going and dropped to 2-2 in region play after a 19-7 loss to Elba. New Brockton was fired up for its first meeting ever on the gridiron against their neighbor from across the county, but seemed sluggish and never really took the fight to the Tigers as expected. One thing for sure, this week this bunch will get back to the basics and play with much more intensity than it did its home turf!

**\*\*\* ZION CHAPEL (2-4)** - The Rebels evened their region record at 2-2 with a 25-14 upset win over Pleasant Home and all of the sudden the Rebels are contenders for a spot in the state playoffs. Many thought Zion Chapel had one foot in the grave after getting off to an 0-4 start, but the Rebels have bounced back with two wins over teams ahead of them in the standings and now are actually thinking about making the playoffs. What a difference a few weeks can make!

**\*\*\* KINSTON (1-5)** - The Bulldogs gave their homecoming crowd plenty to cheer about in a 12-7 win over McKenzie. Kinston had done little to get excited about since its opening game loss to Bullock County, but came out ready to play in front of the big homecoming crowd and played winning football against a team it could have lost to. Now that the Bulldogs know they can win maybe the next one will come a little easier, and not so far down the line.

**\*\*\* BRANTLEY (6-0)** - The Bulldogs continued to pound all of the all-region opponents in a 35-6 romp past Flora-Bama. Brantley was expected to be the team to beat in the region this season, but no one thought the Bulldogs would dominate their opponents like they have and probably the key to the success has been the play of the offensive line. While it is true backs like Skanes and Booker can make an average line look good, this bunch ain't average and they are getting better every game.

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### HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL CONTINUES TO GRAB HEADLINES AS SEASON HEADS DOWN HOME STRETCH

#### POLISH PROGNOSTICATOR PICKS PREPSTERS

The high school football season put another week of action in the books last week and as always it was a week to remember. Here are a few games worth noting...

**\*\*\* Enterprise** lost for the second straight week as the Wildcats were upset by Rutherford, of Panama City, 13-10, in overtime, and all of the sudden the Wildcats that many thought were state title contenders are looking very average. While there is no doubt the Wildcats are a good 6A team, after six weeks it now appears they are not the team many thought after opening the season with four wins.

**\*\*\* Pike County** claimed its fifth straight win by blowing past Dale County 53-33. The Bulldogs were expected to be blown down after losing almost their entire team to graduation, but the younger players have stepped right in and hardly missed a beat. After scoring 53 points it looks like Pike County has already reloaded and is now gunning folks down.

**\*\*\* Greenville** slipped to 0-6 on the season with a 28-21 loss to Carroll, of Ozark, and it looks like the glory days over in Greenville are over. The Tigers were once one of the most feared teams in the state, regardless of class, but now the Tigers are looked at as an easy win by many of the teams on their schedule and as a possible win for the teams that aren't so good.

**\*\*\* T.R. Miller** rolled to a 35-0 halftime advantage and coasted in with a 42-7 win over 3A newcomer Headland. The Tigers may not be as good as years past, but the boys from Brewton are still one of the top teams in the state and will have to be considered the team to beat in 3A circles until someone finds a way to knock them off. Heck, even Ivan couldn't do that!

**\*\*\* Opp** slipped to 2-4 on the season with a 9-7 loss to top-ranked Trinity. The Bobcats had plenty of chances to blow the game open, but saw drives bog down and missed four field-goals in the two-point loss to the defending state champs from Montgomery. After being outplayed by both Opp and Geneva, Trinity will be glad when it says so long to the teams from South Alabama.

**\*\*\* Northview** lost its 37th straight game last week to Smiths Station, which was the last team the Cougars beat way back in the 2000 season, and this time the Cougars had a great chance to win, but blew a 14-0 third quarter lead and lost 21-14 in overtime. Hard to believe that a 6A team can lose that many games in a row, but if you are a Northview fan it seems all too real.

**\*\*\* Cottonwood** bounced back from its loss to New Brockton to blast Houston County 27-7 and now the Bears are back on top in the region standing. The Lions returned the opening kickoff for a touchdown to get off to a fast start, but from that point on the Bears were in charge and made it clear that they were still the team to beat in this part of the state.

**\*\*\* Arinton** moved to 6-0 on the season with a big 42-7 romp past Goshen and Coach Julius Head and his troops appear headed for a region title clash against Brantley. The Purple Cats have been dominant throughout the season and have been the surprise team in this part of the state since the opening week. I guess Coach Head and the Purple Cats are simply a great pair.

**FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH...**

**\*\*\* Alabama** made it look easy against Kentucky in rolling to a 45-17 win, but took another major hit when Ray Hudson went down with a knee injury. The Tide simply lined up and ran over and around the Mildcats from Lexington and showed everyone just how bad a college football team Kentucky really was.

**\*\*\* Auburn** was expected to have a few problems against Louisiana Tech, but once again made it look easy in putting a 52-7 on the board.

The Tigers have a schedule that has allowed it to keep a key player rested and healthy and it has paid dividends as the season has progressed. Now that the Tigers have three straight conference battles coming up, it will interesting to see what happens.

**\*\*\* Two** of Elba's youth football teams earned spots in the Tri-County Super Bowl last weekend by claiming big wins over Zion Chapel. The Midget Tigers and Terrible Tigers both improved their division records to 3-0 with the lopsided wins, and can claim division crowns in two weeks if they can post wins over New Brockton. This will mark the second straight season that two teams have taken part in the season-ending Super Bowl, which is quite a feat. Great Tigers!

**\*\*\* In closing...** I hope at least 100 former Elba Tiger football players show up next week when the field at Tiger Stadium will be named "Mack Wood Field." Coach Wood coached hundreds of players during his 18-year career at Elba High and it would be great to see a lot of them come back to share this honor with their head coach. Come on guys, and if you cannot make it to the game at least mail in a card to Elba High School so they can pass along your well wishes.

#### 1st meeting ever for region rivals

### Elba Tigers to hit the road Friday night for region clash against Wicksburg Panthers

The Elba Tigers will hit the road Friday night and for the second straight week will add a chapter to the Tigers' history book when they travel to Wicksburg for a first-ever meeting with the Wicksburg Panthers.

The Panthers, which struggled to an 0-10 record a year ago, are led on offense by running backs Clay Thomey and Michael Barron, who have combined for over 500 yards rushing and 7 touchdowns. Quarterback Blake Wallace has been effective passing with over 250 yards and 2 touchdowns. While last week's win was very important to everyone associated with Elba Tiger football, that game is over and this week we must start all over again and try our best to get a win on the road against a team that is much better than its record indicates. Wicksburg has a new coach and has had some problems getting in the win column, but they have averaged 26 points a game in their last three games and scored 33 points in their region win over Samson. Wicksburg will be at home and will be excited about playing a

stunt."

Elba snapped its five-game losing streak last week with a 19-7 record win over New Brockton, and to win the Tigers grounded their high-powered passing attack and threw the ball only five times, completing two for 32 yards.

The Tigers did have success moving the ball on the ground, however, as running back Kikko Logan ran for 109 yards on 18 carries and quarterback Brandon Kelley added 101 yards and 2 touchdowns on 8 carries.

"We were determined not to turn the ball over last week and did just that in claiming the win over New Brockton," said Coach Rials. "We did change our formation in the second half and were able to use our speed to score three touchdowns, but the key was zero turnovers for four quarters. This week we will need to be able to run and pass to keep Wicksburg honest and once again try and not turn the ball over. We will try to establish the run to take control at the line of scrimmage, but will probably open things up a little bit more and try to attack the Wicksburg defense. Over on defense, we must play hard on every down and continue to improve on every play. Wicksburg has been able to

score points in every game and has an offense that can move the football up and down the field. We can't rest on what we did last week and think we are a dominant defensive football team just because of one good game. This game is the only one that counts this week and I will guarantee you Wicksburg will be ready to play and will play to win."

"I know we had a really big crowd last week and I hope many of the fans will make the trip over to Wicksburg Friday night and support these young men," added Rials. "It is always a little tougher to run on the road and often times the support of the crowd can make a difference. I urge all Elba Tiger fans to the people in Wicksburg know that they support the Elba Tigers."

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Gamecock quarterback Derrick Cook (10) looks for a receiver.

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# SPORTS

## 2004 ELBA TIGER HOMECOMING HIGHLIGHTS



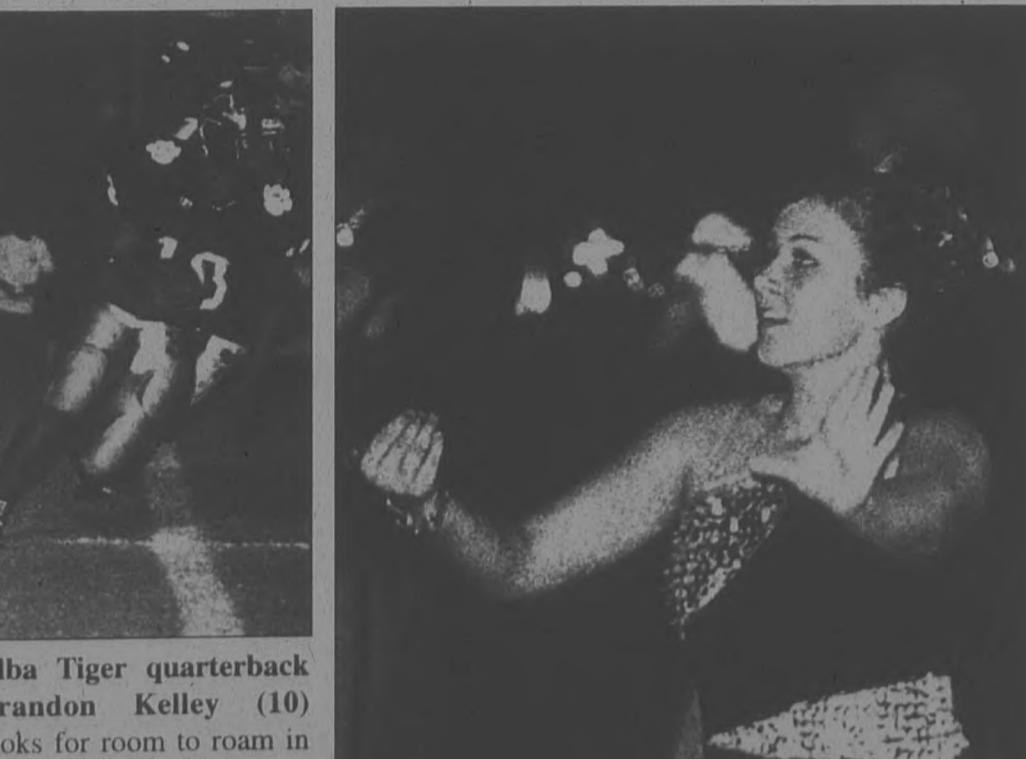
New Brockton Gamecock quarterback Derrick Cook (10) looks over the Elba defense after bringing his team to the line of scrimmage. The Gamecocks will return to region play this week at home against the Houston Academy Raiders.



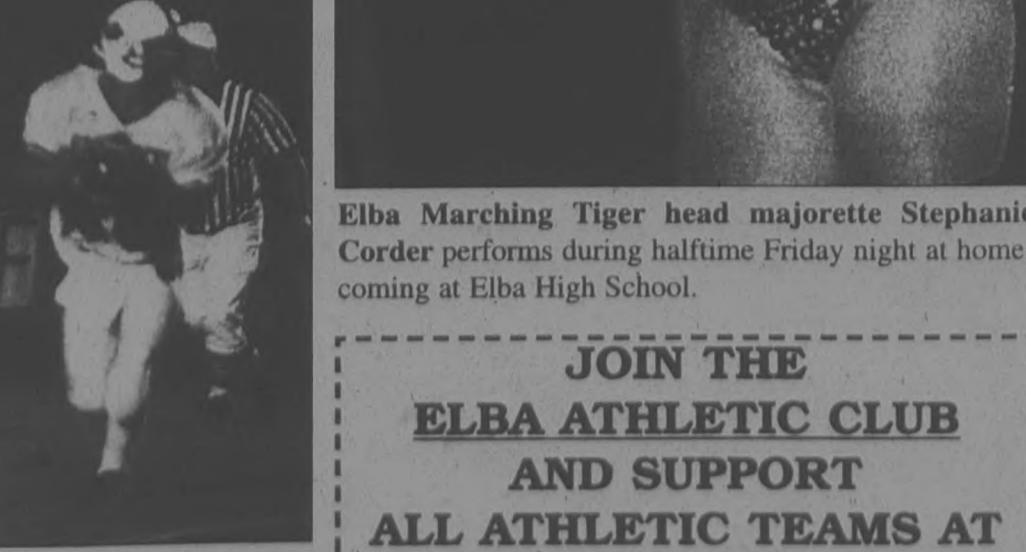
Elba Tiger linebacker Kikko Logan (2) and defensive end Bradley Bane (50) fight their way through Gamecock blockers to make a tackle behind the line of scrimmage in last week's homecoming win over New Brockton.



A crowd estimated at over 5,000 attended the Elba-New Brockton football game last week in Elba. In the photo above a portion of the large crowd gives the Tigers a standing ovation after a big defensive stop in the fourth quarter.



Elba Tiger quarterback Brandon Kelley (10) looks for room to roam in last week's 19-7 win over New Brockton.



Elba Marching Tiger head majorette Stephanie Corder performs during halftime Friday night at homecoming at Elba High School.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS



## Free MIG welding course offered

At the request of Utility Trailer Company in Enterprise, Lurleen B. Wallace Community College, Enterprise-Ozark Community College, and Enterprise City Schools have partnered to provide a 14-week MIG Welding Course to interested individuals who are 18 years of age or older.

Classes will be held at Enterprise High School on Monday and Tuesday nights from 3:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. and is FREE to the public. Classes are scheduled to begin Monday, October 25th.

To register for the course, interested persons should contact Anita Fullford at the Enterprise Career Link Office at (334) 393-3783 to schedule an interview.

Register now! Jobs are currently available for applicants who can demonstrate the skills needed to perform the MIG welding process.



Elba football players were the guests of honor at the annual homecoming bonfire/pep rally held last Thursday evening, Oct. 7, behind the high school. Several senior players spoke during the event and displayed great enthusiasm for their first-ever meeting with the New Brockton Gamecocks, and that enthusiasm spread as Tiger Stadium was packed Friday night for the game. Fans from Elba and New Brockton should be commended for showing great support for the two teams.

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### NEWS BRIEF

Elba Police officers responded to the scene of a shooting Sunday morning, Oct. 10, involving a juvenile black male.

According to Elba Police Chief R.W. Whitworth, officers were told that the victim was shot at approximately 12:30 a.m. by one of four black males driving an older model white vehicle.

The victim was taken to Elba General Hospital then transferred to Enterprise Medical Center where he was treated for his injuries and released.

Whitworth said the incident remains under investigation by the Elba Police Department.

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